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Docket No.: 241/288
21039-7036
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Raymond Guzman et al

Serial No.: 09/476,141

Filed: January 3, 2000

For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR
IMPLEMENTING AND ACCESSING
VIRTUAL DATABASE TABLE
STRUCTURES

Group Art Unit: 2172

Examiner: Shahid Al Alam

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Sir:

A Final Office Action was issued by the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 11, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. An Amendment and Response to this Final Office Action was timely filed on November 12, 2002.

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated September 11, 2002 of the Examiner rejecting claims 33-36, 39, 41-44, 47, 49-52 and 55.

The items checked below are appropriate.



Appeal Fee:



Large Entity Fee of \$320.00; or



Small Entity Fee of \$160.00.



Applicant(s) claim Small Entity Status under 37 CFR § 1.27.

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Respectfully submitted,

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